

ACCORDING TO THE ENCYCLOPEDIA, YOU'RE COMPLETELY WRONG!

WELL, AHA! DO YOU KNOW?

"SN!" EVERY DAY YOU SEE A MISTAKE LIKE THAT IN AN ENCYCLOPEDIA.

I'VE MET SOME SLIMY CHARACTERS IN MY TIME--
 YEAH, SURE-- PCK ON THE POOR-- CAR DEALER!
 CORRECTION: STOLEN-CAR DEALER!
 OKAY, SO I'M NO SAINT! BUT SOCIETY MADE ME WHAT I AM! I'M JUST--
 -- A VICTIM OF CIRCUMPH--
 STIFLE IT!

COULD YOU DO YOUR OWN TEA, PET? I'M RUNNING A BIT LATE FOR MY NIECE'S BIRTHDAY PARTY—

SHE ONLY ASKED ME—!

IF THIS BLOKE ISN'T TOLD TO STAY AWAY, HE CONSIDERS IT AN INVITATION

PREPARE TO BRING DOWN PREY...

CROUCH LOW... PULL BACK EARS... EXTEND CLAWS...

TENSE ALL MUSCLES... COIL SPINE... DILATE PUPILS...

SOMETIMES A SHOW OF FORCE IS ALL THAT'S NECESSARY!

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SIR WENTWORTH SURE LOVES TO SMOKE CISARS!

BUT HE SHOULDN'T SMOKE THEM WHILE HE'S IN UNIFORM!

COUGH COUGH COUGH

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DARN, SHE LEFT ME HERE AND LOCKED THE DOOR.

IF I JUST HAD A STOOL...

I COULD CLIMB UP AND PICK THAT LOCK WITH A COAT HANGER.

...IF I JUST HAD A COAT HANGER.

THE COMPANY SADIST

OKAY, SADIST, IT'S TIME TO MEET THE FIST OF DEATH.

NOTE FROM THE AUTHOR

IF YOU ARE THE SORT OF PERSON WHO IS INFLUENCED BY COMIC STRIPS, I ASSURE YOU NOTHING BAD OR VIOLENT HAPPENS NEXT. ALICE AND THE SADIST DISCUSS THEIR DIFFERENCES AND BECOME LIFELONG FRIENDS

WHAT WAS IN THAT BIG BAG I HELPED YOU DRAG TO THE DUMPSTER?

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Actor **Eddie Albert** is 92
TV producer **Aaron Spelling** is 77
Actor **George Cole** is 75
Actress **Charlotte Rae** is 74
Singer **Glen Campbell** is 64
Actor **Jack Nicholson** is 63
Songwriter-musician **Jack Nitzsche** is 63
Actor-writer **Jason Miller** is 61
Singer **Mel Carter** is 57
Country singer **Cleve Francis** is 55
Movie director **John Waters** is 54
Singer **Peter Frampton** is 50

THE BRIGHT SIDE IS THAT CORRECTIVE LENSES CAN HELP THE PROBABILITIES, OF COURSE, IS THAT I CAN'T DO MUCH TO HELP YOUR CAREER.

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Four Rack Total

3x Letter Triple

RACK 1

RACK 2

RACK 3

RACK 4

PAR SCORE 65-75

by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL

TIME LIMIT 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. 7 letter words get 50-point bonus. Blanks used in any letter have no point value. A. Judd's words are in *The Official Scrabble Players' Dictionary* (Merrim Webster, the OSW of Official Scrabble Words) (Courteney). JUDD'S SOLUTION TIME BROWSE \$3.95

WORD SLEUTH

OBXUROLIEBYVSQN
KHEBYWTPROLJGEB
YWURHCTIWTLPNKI
GDBZXSHTVULSSNR
QOMKICECAOEGEEE
CHAYTWUHHHHHHSQ
PNCILJCFCCCCHF
ECLTATYOXTTTTVU
SGQPINMRIIIIIK
JHFTENCKPPMRWHD
BZSYXVSUTROPBSC

Friday's unlisted clue: PLAYER

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward and diagonally.

Saturday's unlisted clue: JUST A ROOM FOR COOKING

Briches	Hitch	Patchink	Switch
Chatchat	Latch	Patchout	Twitch
Ditch	Michell	Snitch	Witches
GARCH	Pitcher	Stitch	

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ACROSS		
1 Site of a William Penn treaty with Indians	29 Toots at a restaurant?	48 Colon transla tion
8 Rotten insect	30 Actor with a top 10 single, 1967	49 1962 Joseph Wiseman role
14 Soccer superstar	32 Liqueur ingredients	51 Delicate ballet position
15 One of a modern TV family	34 Feel or become, say	53 Oysters _____ season
18 Hidden agendas	36 Best-selling author of "Up the Organization"	54 Synthesizer output
19 Potassium hydroxide, e.g.	38 Makes the transition	57 Bone near the ear
19 Come by	41 Like fans	58 Blandness
20 Time piece	42 It follows soft or silver	59 On-line V.I.P.'s
21 2nd qtr. starter	44 Reverse one's route	60 Something comfortable
23 Small denomination	46 Safety device	DOWN
24 A murmur is the smallest one	48 Bat back and forth, say	1 Take after
25 Corrupt		2 Sitting spot
27 _____ row		3 Evidence murder

SPEW SCRAP PAPER
 KALE CHASE SCENE
 IRAS RICH LITTLE
 ALITY ONEAL ENID
 RANCID KEW AVI
 EYON PISTA MET
 ASSASSIN GREENS
 SPEED BUMP
 DARTER RUN SHORT
 ERI CESAR YENON
 FAN INIT SOMALI
 ABAD CAFFE ELLE
 MINUTE MAID REDS
 ESCRITOINE ARAT
 STEPSISTER ETRE

By Bobby Wolff

South took East's heart queen and led a low spade to dummy's king. Expecting a poor spade break because of the pre-empt, South then led a low spade to his jack and West's queen. West now knew that South could score three spades and five diamonds. These, together with the heart ace, would give South his game unless the defense could take four club winners. Nevertheless, West returned a diamond, and South accepted graciously. He won his ace, picked up the spade suit, and claimed nine tricks to make his contract. Note that it would not have helped for West to cash a high club. Had he done so, East's doubleton queen would have clogged the suit. However, it couldn't have hurt to allow East to help instead of surrendering meekly by leading a diamond. West should have led a heart to East's king. With no other options to defeat the game after the heart jack fails to drop, East would switch to the club queen. This would give the defenders four club winners and the heart king, sending the game one down.

NORTH
♠ A K 8 7
♥ 8
♦ K Q J 8 7
♣ J 6 3

WEST
♠ Q 10 6 5
♥ 7 4
♦ 10 6 3
♣ A K 10 9

EAST
♠ 3
♥ K Q 10 6 5 3 2
♦ 9 4 2
♣ Q 4

SOUTH
♠ J 9 4 2
♥ A J 9
♦ A 5
♣ 8 7 5 2

Vulnerable North-South
Dealer North

The bidding.

North	East	South	West
1 ♠	3 ♥	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead, Heart seven

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